

## RESENT ATTACK ON AMERICAN WOMEN

Society Club in Berlin to Protest Against Slanders on Girl Students.

## ANGER ALSO IN DRESDEN

Singers Refute Alma Gluck's Charges Regarding Their Morality.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—The American Women's Club of Berlin has issued a call for a general meeting of Americans here next Wednesday. Mrs. James W. Gerard, wife of the Ambassador, will preside. The object of the meeting is to protest against what is characterized as a libelous and dangerous attack on American women singing in opera in Europe or studying abroad, based on an article in a prominent musical journal published in New York.

The club is the leading social organization of the big American colony here. Its membership includes the most prominent women of the colony. It was formed and is maintained largely for the purpose of looking after the interests of American girls studying in Berlin. A deluge of inflammatory protests have been made against the statements attributed by the New York musical journal to Alma Gluck to the effect that the leisure time of American girls studying in Europe is chiefly given up to swapping lies and wandering off the straight and narrow path.

Both American and German boarding house keepers here are furious at the statement that these boarding houses are breeding places for the worst vices and filth.

American singers in Germany have been stirred to action by the insinuation of the editor of the journal that no American girl can get a place in European opera except at the sacrifice of her honor and the statement attributed to Walter Lamarch that the girls who study here are robbed of their health, wealth and virtue.

Headed by three energetic Western women, Eleanor Painter of Colorado, prima donna at the Deutsches Opera, who is called the most beautiful woman on the German opera stage; Marcella Craft and Maude Fay of California, both members of the Royal Opera at Munich, demands have been made for action to register the indignation protests against what are considered aspersions on the honor of American singers abroad.

Dr. Alice Luce of Boston, head of the fashionable Willard School for American Girls, as vice-president of the club, sent out the call for a meeting at the instance of the board of directors. It is probable that the American colonies of Munich and Dresden, where the indignation is felt to a high degree, will send representatives.

Avon P. Adams, concert manager for Alma Gluck, refused last night to allow Miss Gluck to come to the telephone. "She is deep enough in the controversy now," he said, "and she wouldn't say anything more about the matter. Her views on the subject were printed in the middle of December, and she stands pat on what she said then. But she doesn't want to say anything more about it. The interview in December represented her honest feeling in the matter, and she knew what she was talking about."

He added that Miss Gluck leaves the city this morning on a tour.

## MILITANTS PLAN REAL WAR.

"1914 to Be Politically Famous" Is Their Avowed Aim.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The avowed aim of the mill at suffragettes now is to "make 1914 politically famous."

The militants threaten, as soon as Parliament reassembles, to make a more extensive crusade than they have done. Of this campaign it is asserted that the threat to storm Buckingham Palace to see the King if he refuses to receive a deputation of suffragettes is only a small part. The campaign is to include raids on the homes of the members of the Cabinet and violent disturbances at society functions and sporting events.

## AMERICAN TRIES SUICIDE.

San Francisco Girl Drinks Bichloride of Mercury at Nice.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

NICE, Jan. 21.—Miss Elsa Ludwig, 13 years of age, swallowed a large quantity of bichloride of mercury here to-day. She is at the hospital in a critical condition. Miss Ludwig is from San Francisco.

## COWLEY'S BRIDE MRS. BUXTON.

Earl Weds Woman Who Was Co-respondent in Latest Case.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—Earl Cowley was married yesterday at Biarritz by the British Consul there to Mrs. Clara Buxton, daughter of the late Sir Francis Stapleton. Mrs. Buxton was formerly the wife of Geoffrey Powell Buxton, a director of Barclay & Co., Ltd., bankers, son of Thomas Powell Buxton. She went to the Continent on an automobile trip with the Earl. This started his latest divorce suit, from which he only became disentangled a few days ago.

Earl Cowley was born January 14, 1866, and succeeded to the earldom in 1885. His first wife was the Lady Violet Nevill, daughter of the first Marquis of Abercorn. A son by this marriage, Viscount Bancha, a member of the Gaiety Theatre Company, is now playing in New York.

Before the Earl succeeded to the title he was sued for breach of promise by Phyllis Broughton, a Gaiety actress, who got \$10,000.

The Earl was named as co-respondent in the divorce suit brought by Sir Charles Hartopp against his wife in 1902. The case was tried twice. Sir Charles winning a decree on the second trial. The Earl and Lady Hartopp then were married. A son was born to them in 1907.

This Countess Cowley brought suit for divorce in July last, while it was alleged in the suit, her husband was on an automobile trip on the Continent with Mrs. Buxton, whom he has now married.

Mrs. Buxton's husband has obtained a preliminary decree from his wife in the December before, naming Earl Cowley as co-respondent.

The next to the last Countess Cowley was a daughter of Charles Henry Wilson, the owner of Tranby Croft, where the famous scandal was started which brought in the name of the late King Edward.

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## CHANCELLOR'S SON A WORRY.

Young von Bethmann-Hollweg Said to Be in the U. S.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—It is reported here that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor, is worried about the debts of his son, who is believed to have been in the United States for several weeks past. It is alleged that bills to the amount of \$50,000 marks (\$20,000) were presented to the Chancellor on the day of the angry debate in the Reichstag on the Alsatian troubles. This is said to have been the real cause of the Chancellor's indisposition on that occasion.

It is said that his son cannot be placed under a financial guardian as the law does not provide for such a step in the case of a person who has no property.

## RATE WAR MAY FOLLOW SPLIT IN ATLANTIC POOL.

Hamburg - American Line's Views Fail to Win Approval of Others.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—After the session held to-day of the conference of the members of the North Atlantic steamship pool it was announced that the views of the Hamburg-American Line could not be met by the other members of the pool. The Hamburg-American Line is not represented at the conference.

This line is holding out for an increase in the quota of emigrant traffic allotted to the company. At present this is 43 per cent, while the North German Lloyd Company gets 47 per cent. The Hamburg-American Line demands 47 per cent of the westbound emigrant traffic.

All the existing agreements on the emigrant traffic will expire on January 31. This will mean of course the end of the pool and a rate war is looked upon as the natural outcome.

After the session to-day the following announcement was made:

"The proposals of the Hamburg-American Line were fully discussed and it was found impossible to arrange for any extension of the agreements on the basis of the demands of that company. Therefore all the existing agreements of the Atlantic conference will expire on January 31. Arrangements have been made between the other companies whereby the offices of the conference will be maintained for statistical purposes. The rates to be charged by these companies in the future will be governed by conditions as they arise, the parties to the agreement continuing to act in accord as far as circumstances permit."

It is impossible to obtain an official list of those who attended the conference. The absence of Herr Ballin, chairman of the board of directors of the Hamburg-American Line, has given rise to adverse comment, as his action is considered discourteous toward an important meeting.

In the official announcement made after to-day's session the words "views expressed on behalf of the Hamburg-American Line" are taken to mean that no representative of that company attended the session.

The representatives of other lines refused to talk, saying they are pledged to secrecy.

## 3,000 MILES BY WIRELESS.

Eiffel Tower Communicates With French Central Africa.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Wireless communication has been established between the Eiffel Tower and Borkou, an isolated spot in French Central Africa, which appears on very few maps. It is about 3,000 miles from Paris.

## \$750 PAID FOR AN OLD COIN.

Roman Piece Shows Diademenian as the Prince of Youth.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—A Roman gold coin with a representation of Diademenian as the Prince of Youth standing between three military standards fetched \$750 at Sotheby's to-day.

## AFRICAN STRIKE CALLED OFF.

New Executive of Trade Federation Decides Against It.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 21.—The new executive of the Federation of Trades has decided to call off the projected general strike for which a secret call was issued in the last few days.

## FLASHES FROM THE CABLE.

MADRID.—The Mayor of Madrid has resigned as the result of a protest against the inability of the municipality of Madrid to cope with the fall of snow which has caused great inconvenience to the public.

LONDON.—A large number of coal supply depots were affected and the daily delivery of 100,000 tons of coal was prevented when 5,000 coal porters went on strike to enforce their demand for an increase in pay.

MUNICH.—Sergei Schweisler, an aviator of the German army aerial corps, was killed here when his machine turned over and fell to the ground. Schweisler attempted to make a very sharp turn and lost control of his machine.

LONDON.—Having given a pledge that she will refrain from militancy, Miss Harriet Kerr, secretary of the Women's Social and Political Union, has been released from jail. Last June she was convicted on the charge of conspiracy and was sentenced to a year's imprisonment.

## SAYS U. S. APPROVES PEARSON CONTRACTS

Lord Murray Insists Feeling of Discomfort Has Disappeared.

## EXPLAINS OIL GRANTS

Concessions in Colombia and Ecuador Are Not Monopolies, He Says.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Daily Mail prints this morning an interview with Lord Murray of Elibank, the agent of the Pearson syndicate, who had charge of the negotiations for securing oil concessions from Colombia and Ecuador.

Lord Murray was asked about reports in cable despatches from New York that there is a struggle between the Standard Oil Company and the Pearson interests in Peru. He said that as he was not able to proceed to Peru he sent Mr. Anderson, one of his representatives, to carry on the negotiations on prescribed lines. Mr. Anderson also negotiated with the government at Costa Rica, under Lord Murray's instructions.

"It was freely stated at the time of the adverse vote in the Costa Rican Congress by which the concession plan was defeated by a majority of three," said Lord Murray, "that the reason for this attitude of the Congress was the fear of certain Deputies that the granting of a contract to a British firm, while agreeing to Washington, might prejudice a settlement of the boundary dispute with Panama."

"As regards the suggestion in a section of the American press that American national interests were prejudiced by the action of the Pearsons and other British oil firms, it is a fact that there has been a feeling of discomfort in this respect in certain quarters of the United States, but I have every reason to believe that it is now appreciated at Washington that the contracts I signed with Colombia, Ecuador and Costa Rica, not being monopolies, are not inimical to the United States."

"Many important business men whom I met in the United States recently expressed the hope that British firms would cooperate in the work of developing the resources of the Central and South American republics in the neighborhood of the Panama Canal and thus bring increased prosperity and commercial stability to those countries."

Lord Murray denied that the son of the Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George is conducting or is in any way responsible for the negotiations with foreign governments. Young Lloyd George, he said, is working as a geological engineer under Mr. Anderson, who is the chief geologist of the Pearson syndicate in South America. Lord Murray described the Chancellor's son as a promising, hard working young fellow. He began at the bottom of the ladder at a small weekly wage and his progress has been solely the result of his own ability.

## TRYING TO GET LOAN FOR TURKS.

David Bey Says American Bankers Will Aid Him.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—David Bey, the Turkish envoy who is trying to raise a loan here, is meeting with great difficulties, as the French Government insists on guarantees regarding the use to which the money is to be put and pledges of peace.

David Bey is said to have told the Minister of Finance that he does not mind whether he is able to obtain the loan in France or not, as he has assurances that American bankers will raise it if his negotiations here fail. Although it is believed in many quarters that this is simply an attempt on David Bey's part to bring pressure to bear on the French Government, there are many persons in financial circles who lend credence to his story.

## TURKS LAND ON MYTILENE.

Report Ottomans Will Enforce Decision to Keep Island.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

VIENNA, Jan. 21.—A report is prevalent here to-night that Turkey has landed troops on the Island of Mytilene, which was occupied by the Greeks in the recent war.

The Ottoman Government announced recently that in no circumstances would Turkey abandon this island to Greece.

## MAGRE WEDS AMERICAN GIRL.

French Dramatist Marries Miss Jeanne Rosen of New York.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Miss Jeanne Rosen of New York was married here to-day to Maurice Magre, the French writer and dramatist.

The ceremony was performed at the American Church of the Holy Trinity in the Avenue de l'Alma. It was very quiet. The witnesses for the bride were Ambassador Myron T. Herrick and Lieut.-Col. Waddington. Those for the bridegroom were M. Jean Crupe, former member of the Cabinet, and M. Gaillard, formerly director of the Opera.

M. Magre is a member of the Legion of Honor.

Mme. Magre is a sister of Walter T. Rosen of the banking house of Lazard, Thalmann & Co. of 25 Broad street, New York. Her mother lives at 64 West Fifty-second street in this city.

M. Magre is one of the most successful of the younger generation of French writers and has won fame both as a novelist and a playwright. His short stories in Le Journal brought him prompt recognition and he is now one of the foremost collaborators of that newspaper, which has a circulation of 1,000,000 daily. Several of his plays have been produced in the French capital, one of the best of his works having been staged at the Theatre de l'Odéon, second in importance only to the Comedie-Francaise.

## LISBON STRIKERS ARRESTED.

200 Leaders in Recent Uprising Felt in Government's Hands.

LISBON, Jan. 21.—Following the collapse of the general strike of railroad men, two hundred of the strike leaders were arrested by the Government to-day while four hundred other wanted men managed to escape. Warrants are out for them.

The railroad strike was declared just one week ago. Many of the strikers have gone back to work while the passenger service on the various lines is almost normal.

## ACCUSES SINGER OF BRIBERY.

Reporter Arrested by Miss Macvane Says She Wanted Publicity.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

ROME, Jan. 21.—Ciccia, a reporter of the Socialist newspaper Avanti, who is on trial for an alleged attempt to blackmail Dorothy Macvane, the young American singer, after she told a story of being treated as a spy at Taranto, denied the charge to-day. He said that Miss Macvane offered to pay him if he would print her photograph and praises of her voice in the newspaper for which he worked.

The magistrate who is making the preliminary investigation has summoned Miss Macvane from Taranto to confront Ciccia. This was done despite the recent death of Prof. Macvane, the singer's father, whose funeral was held yesterday.

The Sun received several days ago from Rome an article signed by Dorothy Macvane, a sister of Dorothy Macvane, telling what happened at the alleged interview between the singer and the Socialist newspaper man. Here is one of the sentences in the article:

"Miss Macvane acted back. The tears which she summons at will in 'La Traviata' and in 'Lucia di Lammermoor' streamed copiously from her beautiful eyes as she read over again the horrible typewritten sheets that the blackmailers had placed in her hand."

## BARONESS DE PALLANDT ILL; SUIT POSTPONED

American Woman in London Court Proceedings Had Varied Career.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The hearing of the suit brought by Dr. E. V. Appleby of St. Paul, Minn., against the Baroness de Pallandt, formerly May Dugas of Chicago, was indefinitely postponed to-day when it was announced that the defendant had collapsed and had been taken to a nursing home.

Dr. Appleby, who is a son of Archdeacon Appleby of St. Paul, is suing to recover \$20,000 which he says he gave as part payment for a rope of pearls on the understanding that the Baroness would repay him later.

MENOMINEE, Mich., Jan. 21.—The suit of Dr. Appleby against Baroness May de Pallandt, formerly of this city, is followed with much interest here. Known here as a girl, May Dugas, the Baroness, "Tyranical, absolutely selfish, despotic, unpopularity, oppressive," were some of the terms applied to the Judge by Col. Huff. He said that it was the general opinion among lawyers that Judge Spear was a "rascal."

"To practice in Judge Spear's court," said J. T. Hill, attorney of Cordell, Ga., "is generally believed throughout this district that it is necessary to resort to underhanded, wicked or some other means to be successful." He also named certain persons who had succeeded by "underground" means.

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## JAPANESE SCANDAL IN BERLIN.

Naval Officers Accused of Receiving Bribes for Giving Orders.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—Revelations of dealings between the German electrical firm of Siemens & Schuckert and Japanese naval officers to obtain naval orders have caused a stir in official circles here. The facts became known at the trial yesterday of an employee of the firm for misappropriation of funds.

It was said that the firm guaranteed a commission of 3 1/2 per cent. to an official of the Japanese Admiralty for orders and allowed 15 per cent. for confidential payments to Japanese officers for all orders for aerographic equipment.

The firm to-day denied these assertions. A representative of the company said that a money was ever paid directly or indirectly to Japanese officers, but, as is customary in dealing with countries which are outside Europe, business negotiations were conducted through the medium of native agents. These agents received a commission.

It was disclosed that a letter from the company to its branch office in Tokyo was stolen by an employee. The court wouldn't allow the letter to be read. The letter disapproved the commission agreement with Admiral Fujii "while the old agreement with Admiral Iwasaki was working faultlessly." The letter asked: "Why did you agree to give Admiral Fujii 5 per cent. regarding the ship to be built in England and 2 1/2 per cent. for all other orders for the Japanese navy?"

There is a reference to Capt. Ide, who is a member of the Japanese commission in England. "If Ide becomes permanently troublesome," it says, "he must fail. It will not be difficult for us to accomplish his downfall."

It was pleaded on behalf of the accused employee that the "illegal manipulations" of the firm constituted an extenuating circumstance in his favor. Nevertheless he was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

## SUIT AGAINST BENNETT FAILS.

Woman Who Says She's His Daughter Loses Out.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

NICE, Jan. 21.—Juliette Schettler's suit against James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, in which she asserts that she is Mr. Bennett's daughter, came up before the court here to-day. The court declared that it was not competent to deal with the case as Juliette Schettler had brought a similar suit in the Paris courts and it was dismissed.

The suit was brought here, as Mr. Bennett's legal residence is given as Beauharnais.

## AUSTRIA A NAVAL POWER.

Appoints First Naval Attaché to Paris Embassy.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Austria-Hungary has appointed a naval attaché in Paris for the first time. This marks the entry of the dual monarchy into the ranks of naval powers.

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## INSURANCE RECORD

INSURANCE IN FORCE, DECEMBER 31st, 1913	\$116,360,110.00
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## THACKARA OFF FOR PARIS.

Consul-General Gets a Great Farewell on Leaving Berlin.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—Consul-General Thackara left Berlin this evening for Paris to take the place of Consul-General Mason there. He was accompanied by Mrs. Thackara.

The departure of Mr. and Mrs. Thackara, who have been in Berlin for five years, was the occasion of a great demonstration of regret by the American colony. A large crowd of prominent Americans, headed by Robert P. Skinner, the new Consul-General, were at the station to say good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Thackara.

## SPEAR A RASCAL, SAYS HUFF.

Lawyer Charges "Underground" Methods Prevalent in U. S. Court.

MAON, Ga., Jan. 21.—Col. W. A. Huff, octogenarian and ex-Mayor at the inquiry into the alleged official misconduct of United States Judge Emory Spear told to-day of his troubles in the Federal Court here in a bankruptcy case involving his estate of \$100,000 and of his arrest for contempt of court.

Col. Huff described the litigation which began in 1899. He said that a former secretary of Judge Spear was named as receiver; that \$71,000 derived from the sale of property was deposited in a bank in which Judge Spear's relatives were officers and that it drew no interest.

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## GIVES HIMSELF UP AS SLAYER.

Man May